COMMITTEE HEARD EVIDENCE

Of Citizens Living in the Vicinity of "Fifty-seven" that was Derogatory to the Character of the Place-Fire Committee to Make its Annual Inspection Tour This Week-Other Council Committees Meet.

Recently, it will be remembered, the council committee on petitions and remonstrances met and recommended to council favorably the petition of Miss Angle Strong, of "Fifty-seven" Seventeenth street, for a coffee house license Under a ruling by President Maxwell, of the second branch of council, the matter was sent back to the committee for the reason that it had not first been presented to council. Last night the committee met and again considered the application. After a lengthy session, the committee decided to send the application to council without a recommendation.

Of the eight members of the commit tee, six were present, Messrs. Bradbury, chairman; Bachmann, Beuter, Ritter, Chew and Williams, Mayor Sweeney was also in attendance.

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petitions of Ernest Hartman for the transfer of his license to 2248 Market street and David H. McGlumphy to 1138 Water street. Chairman Bradburg suggested that the matters be referred back to council, they having not been presented to that body first. This action was taken after a short discussion.

The application of Angle Strong for a license, with Louis B. Frobe and Jacob Wilhelm as sureties, was then brought before the committee. In order to bring the matter properly before the committee, Mr. Williams moved that the application be referred favorably to council. Mr. Bachmann seconded. Mr. Chew suggested that it would be well first, to admit and hear from neighbors who, he understood, are protesting against the granting of the license.

Chairman Bradbury, who had been in the mill once before, suggested that the protests be heard before council.

Mayor Sweeney remarked that the revelations would be of too ugly a character to be brought before an open meeting of council.

Chairman Bradbury—Well, we stood it one night, until after 11 o'clock.

Mr. Chew said he didn't like the idea of recommending the application to council without an investigation into the character of the applicant. Unless this is done it would mean that every member of the committee is in favor of the application. He did not see how the committee or in council.

The mayor said that at first he had favored granting a license, believing that he and the chief could better control the place then, but since then he had heard ethings derogatory to the character of the place and had changed his mind.

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Citizens living in the neighborhood of "Fifty-seven" were then called in. The first asserted that Miss Strong is run-

"Fifty-seven" were then called in. The first asserted that Miss Strong is running a house that is not respectable. Hacks come there at all hours of the night, many of the occupants drunk, some of them girls of the town. He had seen a prostitute come out in broad daylight, enter a hack and go to a house of prestitution on the same street not far away. Miss Strong, he said, is very insulting to the respectable women living in the neighborhood.

Another citizen raid his repose at night had often been disturbed by the coming and going of hacks and the noisy conduct of their occupants. He cited an instance of obscene language he had heard used in front of "Fifty-seven" at midnight recently. On that occasion he had entered a complaint at police headquarters, and the night lieutenant had sent an officer to quiet the women. At the conclusion of this witness' testimony, a member of the committee remarked:

"Boys, she's too tough."

The same witness, continuing, said if license was granted he would be forced to sell his property at a sacrifice and leave the neighborhood. He did not believe she would run a legitimate saloon business: "there would be more girls than saloon."

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Chairman-Bradbury—If she gets no ll-cense will the city close the place?

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Mayor Sweeney—The city will do the best it can.

The third witness, too, was emphatic in expressing his wish that license be not granted. He told of hacks coming to the place at all hours of the night and depositing women and men of the town.

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The fourth and last witness told of instances of the same kind. He had seen a well known Market street man alight from a hack there accompanied by two women. Some of the teachers of Union school walk down the alley at the side of "Fifty-seven," and they had seen some of their girl scholars entering the place. Girls who had run away from home had been located at the place by the police: Captain Bennett, Lleutenant Bickerton, Lleutenant Suppler and other officers could testify to this. He predicted that the place would be abandoned in three weeks if council declines to grant license, especially now that the mayor and chief of police have entered upon a vigorous campaign against lawbreakers. Places like this, he said, injure the business of respectable saloons; one saloonist had told him he could not keep his custom because they preferred to go to saloons where they could meet women.

Chairman Bradbury suggested that the room be cleared of all hut members of the committee, so that a vote might be taken on the application.

To this course Mr. Chew objected.

Chairman Bradbury—Why?

Mr. Chéw—I odn't desire to cover up what we may do here. There is every indication that there is no necessity for the granting of this license, and the entere was eyer an aggravated case, this is one.

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Finally, Mr. Bachmann's motion to refer the application to council without recommendation, was passed without a dissenting vote.

The City Taxes.

City Collector James K. Hall gives notice in another column of his intention to proceed with the enforcement of



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first of the coming month. This course he is directed to pursue by the provishe is directed to pursue by the provisions of city ordinances governing tax collections. The council finance committee is now pushing the collector for us full collections as possible. Persons owing taxes are requested to call and settle before the first of the coming month, and thus avoid expensive and unclasses tilication. unpleasant litigation.

THE ANNUAL INSPECTION

Of the Fire Department to be Made Next Friday Afternoon.

At a meeting of the council committee on fire department held last even-ing, presided over by Chairman Baird, it was decided that the committee would make its annual inspection of the department next Friday afternoon. The committee will assemble at the public building at 1:30 o'clock, and will visit all the hose and engine houses.

At its meeting the committee trans-ucted considerable routine business, in-cluding the recommending to council for payment of bills aggregating \$399.30. Chief Robert D. Cline made the fol-lowing report to the committee:

"Thave compiled with your request as to having the new chemicals attached to the different apparatus. I tested them and find they work first class. The supply wagon at the Atlantic engine house is suffering very much for want of paint and should be attended to at once. The tin roofs of the engine houses should be painted.

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"The chemical attachment at the Vigilant makes the apparatus so heavy for exercising the horses that it is detrimental to the apparatus to use it for exercising. I suggest that the committee get an exercising wagon, which would also be useful for hauling. I wish to call your attention to the location of box 39 on High street; the road going there is dangerous and considerable time is required for the department to reach the place. This could be remedied by the committee consenting to have a shed erected there for the storing of a hand real, which could be used in case of fire by the citizens, or the men of the department could go over the hill and have the hose connected and working before the department could get there."

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The committee instructed its purchasing committee to order two exercising wagons, along the lines of the chief's recommendation.

REMEMBERED THE CHIEF.

The Police Officers Present Captain Clemans with a Fine Badge.

Last night, at 6 o'clock, Chief of Po-lice William Clemans received a "hurry" call to the police court, city building. When he arrived, and found every police officer on the force assembled with Attorney Charles J. Schuck at their head, and it is needless to state that he was surprised. Perhaps he had he was surprised. Perhaps he had visions of a strike for higher pay, and was under the impression that the boys had retained a lawyer to aid them. If he had such an impression it was speedily dispelled, for Mr. Schuck stepped forward, and in a very neat and eloquent little talk he presented to the chief on behalf of his men a beautiful gold enamel badge, inscribed:

> WILLIAM CLEMANS, Chief of Police. Wheeling, W. Va.,

Though the chief was taken completely by surprise, he managed to express his thanks in a few words, and even if there was much that he would have said had he been able, still the boys were astute enough to know the embarassment that comes to all on such an occasion, and could therefore excuse the gallant captain's attack of tongue paralysis.

The badge is indeed a beauty, and was furnished the boys by Jeweler W. J. Lukens.

MADE A NEW OFFER.

United States Fertilizer Company Proposes Better Terms.

The council committee on health met last evening and took up the important matter of some improvement in the ability of the municipality to cope with the constantly increasing amount of garbage and night soil. It will be recollected that at a former meeting there was a proposition to let a contract to the United States Fertilizer Company on a basis of \$3,000 per year, the city to deliver the refuse at the proposed new plant on the site of the crematory and give the company free gas and water. company free gas and water. At a second meeting this proposition was rejected and the solicitor was instruct-ed to draw an ordinance appropriat-ing \$3,000 for the repair and enlarge-ment of the present furnace. Last evening representatives of the

fertilizer company were again present and submitted a new proposition, the effect of which was that the company would be willing to so modify its contract as to erect a plant and reduce the fuse at the actual ext city refuse at the actual expense for la-bor at the crematory now upon the city. The amounts to \$100 per month, or \$1,200 per annum. The amended offer was a material reduction upon the one first made, and as it would, in addition, save the city the \$3,000 proposed to be ex-pended upon the present furnace, the committee thought well of it, rescinded its former action, and will recommend the new proposition to council for adonthe new proposition to council for adop

THE MAYOR'S MESSAGE

Will be Presented at To-Night's Session of the City Council.

At to-night's regular session of the city legislature, Mayor Andrew T. Sweeney will present his first message to council, and the mayor stated last night that it would be a rather lengthy document, making about twenty-five hundred words. It is understood he will deal elaborately with all the departments of the city government, and make recommendations for the bettermake recommendations for the betterment of municipal conditions. A new city workhouse will be recommended, a statement that causes no surprise as the mayor has been interesting himself in this matter since he entered office. It is said, toof that he will recommend a new ten-cent levy for street lighting, and a decrease in the price of illuminating gas, in order to take from the gas consumers alone the burden of lighting the streets of the city. Other important recommendations are to be made.

Improved Market House.

The committee on markets met in the city clerk's office and recommended bills

to council amounting to \$21 65.

There was considerable discussion rel-There was considerable discussion relative to the wants of the department of markets for the ensuing year, and it was decided that the committee would visit the Second ward market house next Wednesday, March 22, at 10 a. m., for the purpose of considering the advisibility of closing the sides of the house, as was done at the Fifth ward market house years ago. There has been complaint from the users of stalls that they are practically entirely unprotected from the westner.

A New Weighmaster.

The council committee on scales met ast evening and recommended to council for payment bills amounting in the

cut for payment onto amounting in the aggregate to \$16 40.

The resignation of Weighmaster William Johnson, of the East McCulloch street scales was accepted, and Charles Exity was recommended as his successor.

A MEDICINE—A STIMULANT.



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THE LITTLENESS OF IT.

Evening Unreliable's Attempt to Unload its Cargo of Trouble.

The evening sheet is having such a distressing experience these days in trying to square itself with all people on the gas board coal contract libel, which it sprung last week, that it would fain foist trouble upon other people. Envy, spite, littleness and an entire lack of truthfulness show prominently in every line of an attempt the News made in its issue last evening to place the Intelligencer in a false position regarding the Wheeling Pottery deal with the combine. The News garbies a statement in Saturday's Intelligencer and proceeds to make unfair comparisons with a statement printed Monday. The Intelligencer stated what was true Saturday when it said the Wheeling Pottery Company had not withdrawn from the combine, and could not until the option expired April 1. This sentence the News quotes, but did not quote another paragraph in the same story in which it was stated that the Wheeling would probably desert the combine eventually. There was nothing inconsistent in what this paper has printed at any time regarding the Wheeling Pottery Company and the combine. Can as much be said about anything the News attempts to handle? Ask the gas board; ask the trades assembly; ask Mr. Graham, of the tin-plate combine—ask anybody, in fact. Envy, spite, littleness and an entire

BRIDGEPORT DEMOCRATS

Make Nominations for the Coming Municipal Election.

Thirty-three Democrats met in the city hall at Bridgeport last evening to nominate a city ticket. Lawyer W. V. Campbell called the meeting to order and was in turn called to preside. The

and was in turn called to preside. The chairman started the proceedings by saying "Now come boys, get a hustle on you, for I am getting dry," One good old Democrat told the reporter that there were fifty present, but only thirty-three were counted. The first thing in order was a nomination for councilman from the First ward. Two names were presented, George Gordon, who received seven votes, and Capt. Thomas, who received twenty-four votes.

four votes.

Dan Haley and Delbrook were nominated from the Third ward for council.

James Wiley was nominated much against his will, for assessor from the First ward.

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First ward.

The ballot for assessor for the Second ward resulted as follows: Bayha, 19; S. Wilson, 12; C. Match, 7. For assessor in the Third ward, John Hepner was nominated by acclamation.

MONTHLY CONFERENCE

Of Ministers of the Christian Church Held in this City.

The regular monthly conference of the Northern Ohio Valley Christian Ministers' Association was held Monday in this city, at the First Christian church. The association comprises churches of the denomination in this section, and the meeting was one postponed from the previous Monday. The feature of the programme was the address on "Fellowship," by Rev. Mr. Watson, of Bellaire.

Among the ministers present were: Rev. C. M. Oliphant, of Wheeling, president of the association; Rev. S. G. Naylor, of Wheeling; Rev. Mr. Watson, of Bellaire, secretary of the association; Rev. Messrs. Slater, of Steubenville, Darsic and White, of Bethany, Pike, of Barnesville, and Wiseman, of Martin's Ferry. Ministers' Association was held Mon-

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AETNA-STANDARD

Company to Issue Important Circular to Stockholders.

EARNINGS OF THE SIXTY DAYS

Since the Last Dividend was Declared Will be Included in the Payments to be Made to the Stockholders in a day or two-These Earnings Amount to \$60,000 .- Wheeling & Elm Grove Elects Directors.

To-day the management of the Aetna-Standard Iron & Steel Company will issue a circular letter to the stockholders, which will go down into history as the last important act of that corporation, which will then pass into the control of the National Steel Company and lose its identity among the many iron and steel plants which the combine has absorbed.

The circular will state the time and places at which the stockholders will receive their cash and National Steel stock in exchange for the Aetna-Standard stock which was recently placed in the hands of three local banks for the purpose of closing up the deal with the National. The places designated are the City bank, of Wheeling; the First National bank, of Bellaire, and the First National bank, of Bridgeport. The time settled upon could not be learned last night, and of course will not be known definitely until the circulars are issued, which, as stated, will probably be to-day.

be to-day.

In addition to giving notice of the amount of cash and National Steel stock each stockholder is entitled to, the circular will state the amount of the dividend declared for the past sixty days—or since the last regular dividend was declared. It is learned upon excellent authority that the net earnings for this period amount in the aggregate to \$50,000. Out of this amount, first comes the dividend of the preferred stock, at the rate of 8 per cent per annum; then comes the common stock dividend. The preferred stock issue is \$1,900,000, and the 11-3 per cent dividend which it is understood will be declared on this branch of the stock, amounts to \$25,270, less than half the amount of the company's net carnings for the past sixty days.

ELM GROVE DIRECTORS

Re-Elected at a Meeting of the Com-. pany Held Yesterday.

Yesterday morning the Wheeling & Elm Grove railway company held the regular monthly meeting at the office on Sixteenth street, and elected a board of directors and officers for the ensuing twelve months. Aside from this feature the advance of wages asked for by the conductors and motormen was discussed, but no action was taken, to quote one of the directors.

The election of directors made no change in the old board, and it was as follows: Anton Reymann, August Rolf, Henry Bleberson, J. D. Dubois, George W. Jeffers, H. B. Grimm, Paul O. Reymann, The organization resulted as follows:

President—A. Reymann. Secretary—William Carle. Auditor—George W. Jeffers. General Manager—W. S. Wright

HIGHER WAGES In Effect at the Riverside, Wheeling, Steel Works and Top Mill.

Yesterday a large number of em-ployes of the mills in this section went to work for increased wages. The general advance of 19 per cent went into effect at the Riverside, the laborers at the puddling and plate mills of the Wheeling steel works, who got \$1 25 a day, worked yesterday under the new rate of \$1 25, and the fillers and helpers at the Top mill blast furnace felt happy under a raise from \$1.50 to \$1.65 at day. All advances were made by the companies without solicitation by the men. The Wheeling Steel & Iron Company controls the Wheeling steel works and the Top mill.

WHEELING RAILWAY MEN Are to Meet on Saturday of next Week to Ask for Higher Wages. On Saturday of next week, it

learned, there will be a meeting of the newly organized union of the employes of the Wheeling Railway Company, composed of the eighty motormen and

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THE RIVER.

in line with the recent request of the employees of the Wheeling & Elm Grove road for a similar advance.

YESTERDAY'S DEPARTURES. Parkersburg BEN HUR, 9 p. m. Sistersville...RUTH, 3:39 p. m. Clarington...LEROY, 3: 30 p. m. Steubenville..T. M. BAYNE, 2:39 p. m. BOATS LEAVING TO-DAY.

BUATS LEAVING TO-DAY.
Cincinnati... KEYSTONE STATE, \$12
Plitsburgh... VIRGINIA, \$a.m.
Parkersburg. H. K. BEDFORD, II a. m.
Pittsburgh... AVALON, noon.
Matamoras... LEXINGTON, II a. m.
Sistersville... RUTH, \$359 p. m.
Clarington... LEROY, \$1.26 p. m.
Steubenville... T. M. BAYNE, \$269 p. m.
BOATS LEAVING TOLAGROW. BOATS LEAVING TO-MORROW.

Charleston...KANAWHA, 6:30 a. m. Pittsburgh...BEN HUR, 2 p. m. Sistersville...RUTH, 3:30 p. m. Clarington...LEROY, 3: 30 p. m. Steubenviller.T. M. BAYNE, 2:30 p. m. Along the Landing.

The marks at 6 p. m. Monday shows 12 feet 6 Inches and falling. Weather clear and cool.

Yesterday's towboat movements were as follows: Down with coal Line Fred and Belle McGowan, 4 p. m. River Telegrams.

OIL CITY—River 3 feet and rising Cloudy and cold. WARREN—River 3 feet 1 inch. Clouds

and cold.
GREENSBORO—River 9 feet
Inches and falling, Cloudy and cool.
MORGANTOWN—River 9 feet
inches and falling, Clear and colder,
BROWNSVILLE—River 9 feet.

inch and stationary.

PITTSBURGH—River 9.1 feet and cook PITTSBURGH—River 21 feet and coal.
STEUBENVILLE—River 12 feet and falling. Clear and cool.
PARKERSBURG—Ohio river 15 feet and falling. Cloudy; mercury at 40.
POINT PLEASANT—River 21.6 feet and falling. Cloudy.
CINCINNATI—River 41 feet and falling. Cloudy.

ng. Cloudy. EVANSVILLE-River 42.6 feet and

EVANSVILLE—River falling: 25 feet
LOUISVILLE—River falling: 25 feet
2 inches in canni; 23 feet on falls; 31
feet below locks, Cloudy.
MEMPHIS—River 32.4 feet and ris-

ing. Cloudy. The Best Prescription for Chills less Prescription for Cambon Fever is a bottle of Grove's Taskess Chill Tonic. It is simply iron as quinine in a tasteless form. No curreno pay. Price, 50c.

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